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REQUEST FOR

CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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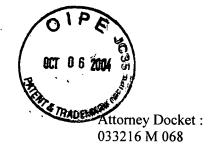
37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 Previously submitted Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered). Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _ Other **Enclosed** Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) Other _ Miscellaneous Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required) The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed. Fees а. П The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) ☐ Other Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed) SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED Name (Print /Type) Michael A. Makuch Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) 32,263 Signature October 6. 2004 CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner For Patents, Box RCE, Washington, DC 20231, or facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on: Name (Print /Type)

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In re the application of:)
Hiroyuki ASAKURA)
Serial No.: 09/776,761) Art Unit : 2873
Filed: February 6, 2001) Examiner : Hung Xuan DANC

For: OPTICAL LENS WITH MARKING AND MANUFACTURING

METHOD THEREOF

AMENDMENT SUBMITTED WITH RCE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A reply to the Office Action filed May 6, 2004 was due by August 6, 2004. Applicant filed an Amendment on August 6, 2004 and received an Advisory Action on August 18, 2004. In response to the previous two Office Actions (Advisory Action included, Applicant files this Amendment with an accompanying Request for Continuing Examination and a Petition for Extension of Time (two month, large entity), extending the due date to October 6, 2004. Therefore, please accept this Amendment and accompanying Request for Continuing Examination as timely filed.

In response to the Office Action dated May 6, 2004, kindly amend the aboveidentified patent application as follows: